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VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Commissioner of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9275

RE: Substitute Unit Well Application
MIO 4A Stringer Sand, Reservoir A
North Crowley Field
Acadia Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Asprodites:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **OCEAN ENERGY, INC.** for the calling of a public hearing, after ten (10) days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the MIO 4A Stringer Sand, Reservoir A, in the North Crowley Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, for which rules and regulations were adopted and a drilling and producing unit was established by Office of Conservation Order No. 423-UU dated March 7, 1973, effective on or after March 1, 1973.

1. To permit the applicant to utilize the Ocean Energy - P.J. Reiners No. 27 Well as the substitute unit well for the MIO 4A STRG RA SUA at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
2. To reclassify the Miocene 4A Stringer Sand, Reservoir A, from a gas and condensate reservoir to an oil and gas reservoir based on the completion of the Reiners No. 27 Well in the reservoir;

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3. Except to the extent contrary herewith, to continue in effect all pertinent provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 423-UU; and
4. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The existing unit well for the unit, the Exxon, Inc. - P.J. Reiners #17 Well (Serial No. 106206) has ceased to produce and the applicant is, therefore, requesting designation of a substitute unit well. The proposed substitute unit well is necessary to drain a portion of the unit which cannot be drained by any existing well in the unit. There is enclosed a plat showing the MIO 4A STRG RA SUA, the location of the existing unit well for the MIO 4A STRG RA SUA, and the location of the proposed substitute unit well above referenced.

Pertinent data concerning this Application can be obtained from Howard Creasey, Ocean Energy, Inc., 21st Floor, 1001 Fannin Street, Suite 1600, Houston, Texas 77002; Phone (713)265-6000.

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interest Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, a list of parties will be provided to any party requesting a copy of it. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check in the sum of \$700.00, payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Yours very truly,

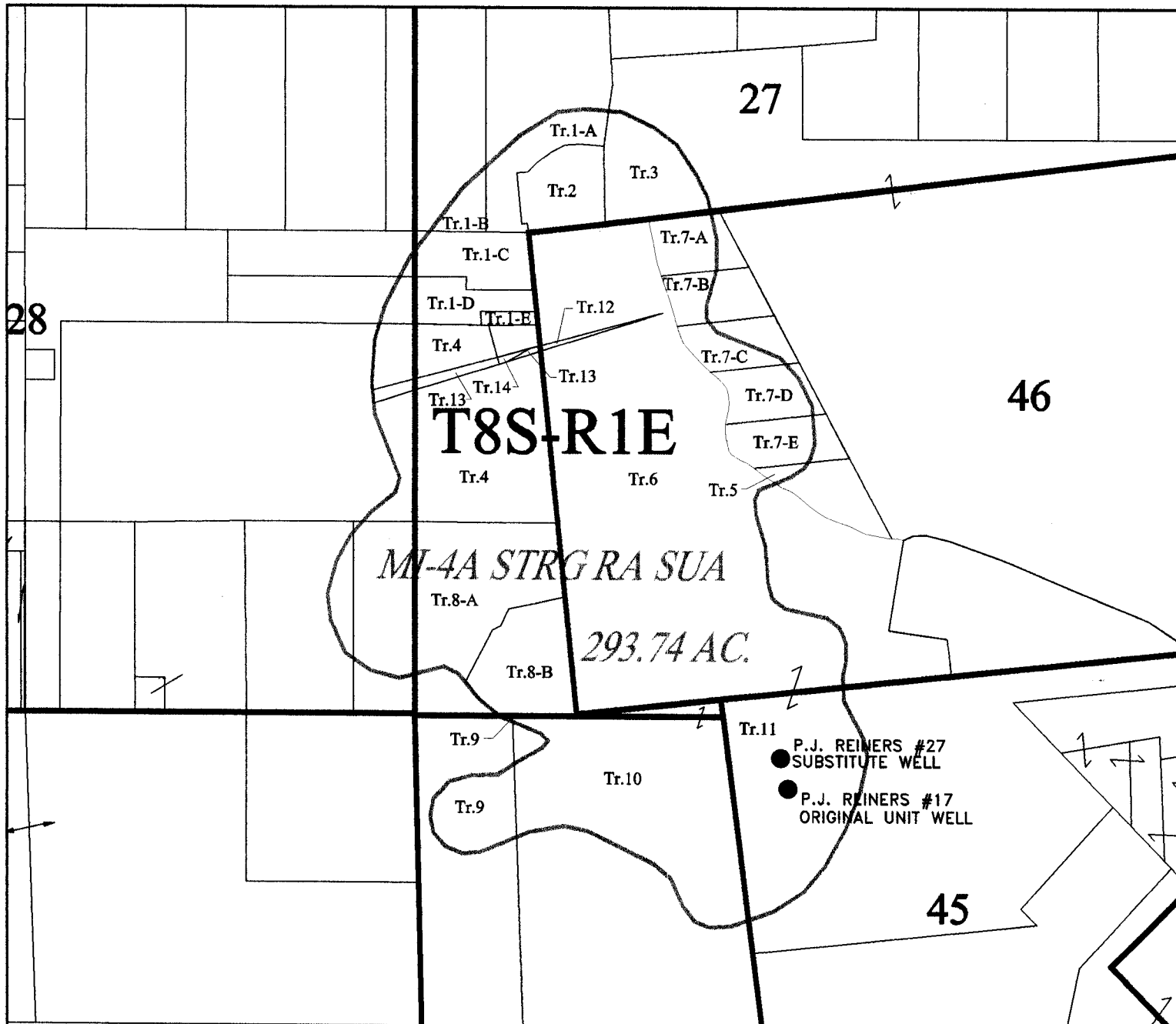
Randall C. Songy (bad)
RANDALL C. SONGY

RCS/bgs/bad

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Manager
Office of Conservation

cc: All Interested Owners, Represented Parties,
and Interested Parties



TRACT	COMPANY	LEASE	ACRES	%	TRACT	COMPANY	LEASE	ACRES	%
1-A	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Clay A. LaFosse et al	6.40	2.17879	7-C	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Mrya Arceneaux Pavich	2.75	0.93620
1-B	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Viola Beard Richards	2.17	0.73874	7-D	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Sheila Arceneaux Ramagos	4.35	1.48090
1-C	Unknown	Michelle Johnette Beard et al	6.65	2.26390	7-E	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Mona Arceneaux Guidry	3.85	1.31068
1-D	Unknown	Marjorie Beard Weekly	5.80	1.97453	8-A	HGH Energy, Inc.	Heirs of Luther Harmon	29.96	10.19949
1-E	Unknown	Debbie T. Stokley	1.00	0.34043	8-B	HGH Energy, Inc.	Heirs of Luther Harmon	10.18	3.46564
2	Unknown	Lillie R Beard et al	6.74	2.29454	9	Ocean Energy, Inc.	H. J. Thevis	6.25	2.12773
3	Unknown	Mervine E. Jankower et al	8.78	2.98903	10	Ocean Energy, Inc.	A. Ohlenforst	35.16	11.96976
4	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Leonard R. Beard et al	33.11	11.27187	11	Ocean Energy, Inc.	P. J. Reiners	24.79	8.43943
5	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Adam Paul Thibodeaux	0.51	0.17362	12	Vintage Petroleum, Inc.	P. J. Reiners	0.25	0.08510
6	Ocean Energy, Inc.	P. J. Reiners	97.57	33.21658	13	Vintage Petroleum, Inc.	Arville Beard et al	1.66	0.56512
7-A	Ocean Energy, Inc.	Anthony L. Arceneaux	3.65	1.24259	14	Vintage Petroleum, Inc.	Arville Beard et al	0.11	0.03744
7-B	Ocean Energy, Inc.	James B. Arceneaux	2.05	0.69789	TOTAL		293.74	100.00000	

MI 4A STRG. RA SUA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
ORDER NO. 423-UU
NORTH CROWLEY FIELD
Unit Location Plat
Acadia Parish, Louisiana



Scale: 1" = 1000'

Date: 8-27-01